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Mr. George Murphy
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San Francisco Chronicle
San Francisco, California 94119

Dear George,

That neat Chronicle editorial had floated across my desk just the day before your note of November 30th arrived. Wow, did I appreciate it!

I just can't tell you how much the generous words in that column meant to me. Since coming to CIA I have tried to stay totally out of politics and I have tried to run and lead this agency in a proper fashion. It has been the greatest experience of my lifetime. The CIA in reality is so very different from the public's perception.

I will be going back to Texas with a certain sense of "mission unfinished," but nevertheless it is the proper time to go. The head of this agency must have not only full access to the President but his total confidence. Whoever comes here will be given immediate and total support.

I hope all is well with you. One of these days I will stick my head in that maze where you work and say hi. In the meantime, thanks, my friend.

Sincerely,



George Bush

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November 30

Dear George;

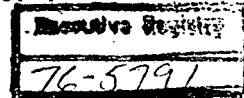
On the remote possibility that your
minions have not apprised you of it, I
enclose an editorial I wrote which appeared
in today's Chronicle.

I trust you'll note the tact and discretion
I employed in not mentioning your trip
in a submarine in the Pacific in the 40s.

Best,

Moore

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December 6, 1976

Director of the CIA
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Sir:

I am presently writing a paper for my political science class. The thesis of the paper is: The CIA and its influence on Foreign Policy.

I feel that my paper can only be truthful and factual if I can use first-hand information as my basis, rather than biased and non-factual information. I would appreciate it, very much, if you can send me the information that you feel will give my paper some truth and clarity.

The basic information that I need is as follows:

How the CIA influences foreign policy?
What methods does the CIA employ to influence foreign policy?
How does it apply its intelligence information to influence foreign policy?
Where has it had its most success?
How much does foreign policy rely on the gathered information?

Perhaps there are more possibilities that you feel will help strengthen my paper. I understand that some of this information is confidential, however anything that you can send me will be very greatly appreciated.

Another area that you may be able to help me with is supplying me with the address of a local branch or representative whereby I may be able to get an interview.

Any information that you can send me will greatly appreciated. I hope that you will be able to send me a reply soon, since I have to begin immediately gathering my information.

Thank you very much for your trouble.

Sincerely yours,

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